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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, PHOTOGRAPHING

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APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM, IMAGE

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PROCESSING METHOD AND PROGRAM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.